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# THE EDGECLIFF

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## Philosophy Meet Aided By College

Faculty And Students On Sponsor Group

Faculty members, alumnae and students of Our Lady of Cincinnati College have important roles in the 14th annual meeting of the American Catholic Philosophical Association at the Netherland Plaza Dec. 28-29. Archbishop John T. McNicholas is honorary chairman of the local committee.

Staged under the patronage of the archbishop and Catholic universities, colleges and seminaries of the Cincinnati area, the association will attract some of the leading thinkers of America. Besides O. L. C., sponsoring institutions are the Athenaeum of Ohio, Institutum Divi Thomae, Mt. St. Joseph-on-the-Ohio, Mt. St. Mary Major Seminary, St. Francis Seminary, St. Gregory Preparatory Seminary, Holy Cross Monastery and Xavier University.

Auxiliary Bishop George J. Rehring is honorary vice chairman and the Rev. Murtha J. Boylan, S. J., Xavier University, executive chairman. Morning general sessions are scheduled to be held in the Hall of Mirrors and afternoon section meetings in the Hall of Mirrors, Pavilion Caprice and Parlors A, B, C and D. The annual dinner will be held Wednesday evening, Dec. 28.

### Archbishop To Speak

Among faculty members on the local committee are the Rev. William J. Gauche, the Rev. Francis J. Kunnecke, Sister Mary Patricia, R. S. M., and Robert L. Otto. Alumnae cooperating are Beatrice Brink, Dorothy Cahill, Rosmary Meyer, Alice Riesenberg, Dorothy Santen, Rosemary Slacke and Jean Wingerter.

Sister Patricia is to be one of the leaders in a round table discussion Wednesday afternoon. She will read a paper on "Traditional Perception," upholding the view opposite that which will be expounded by the Rev. Bernard Vogt, Butler, N. J., in a paper on "Scientific Perception."

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## Skating Party Held For Chinese Missioner

Bumps experienced by students and their escorts at the recent skating party sponsored by the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade of O. L. C. were much less jarring than those felt by the Passionist missionary in China where the proceeds were sent.

Recipient of the Christmas gift is the Rev. Russell Sprinkle, M. N. brother of Martha Sprinkle, senior. He is stationed in Kwangsi Province where Jap air raiders have been making living precarious. The missionaries also disposed of a handmade rosary to Alice Topmoeller, freshman, who held the lucky number. Members were also hosts to two medical missionary sisters who described their work in India and exhibited some native clothing.

## FOOD FOR POOR AT CHRISTMASTIDE



Helping to do their bit to spread Christmas cheer among the needy are these senior students of the College. Left to right, kneeling: Rosemary Ebertz, Rita Riesenberg, Marie Heinen, Janet Louis, Laura Jane Howard. Standing: Bernice Soete, Mary Andris and Mary Lucille Solomon.

For many needy families, Christmas will be made brighter this year through the distribution of baskets of food by Our Lady of Cincinnati students. Since the opening of the college in 1935, students have donated food to the poor during the holiday season.

Christmas baskets were placed before the crib this afternoon while students sang traditional

carols. A special feature of the ceremony was the singing of French and German songs by members of the language department.

The crib, in previous years in the spacious dining room of Emery Hall, is in the foyer of the Administration Building. Students laden with baskets containing fruit, attractive candies, nuts, fresh vegetables and vari-

ous canned goods, decked with gay ribbons and sprigs of holly, assembled in the foyer to offer their gifts to the Infant King.

Bernice Soete, president of the school's Student Mission Crusade unit, was general chairman of the basket ceremony, and Helen Uchtman, chairman of the transportation committee, arranged for the distribution of the food.

## Carolers Sing Blessing Of Christmas

Verse Choir Adds To Beauty Of Concert

Christianity's age-old yet ever new story of man's redemption through the birth of the Savior was unfolded once again by Our Lady of Cincinnati College students in their annual carol program presented this year in the spacious auditorium of the Administration Building.

Directed by Prof. John J. Fehring, archdiocesan supervisor of music, the carolers were accompanied by a verse choir attired in white gowns and placed in tiers of seats above the singers on the stage.

Choristers also sang last night over Station WLW.

## Mrs. Overbeck Named Mothers' Club Head

At a meeting December 7, the Mothers' Club elected these officers: Mrs. George Overbeck, president; Mrs. Oliver L. Creed, vice-president; Mrs. Louis R. Smith, recording secretary; Mrs. Hilary Evers, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Frederick J. Meyer, treasurer, and Mrs. Helen P. Schlosser, auditor.

## SYMPATHY

Sympathy of the Religious Sisters of Mercy and students at Our Lady of Cincinnati College is extended to the bereaved Martina family on the occasion of the death of Gaetano Martina of the Martina Mosaic and Tile Co. Mr. Martina supervised much of the terrazzo work in the new administration building. Special prayers were said for the repose of his soul.

## Jamboree Has Students For Leaders

Fort Scott Campers Celebrate Next Week

Six students and a faculty member will participate in the Fort Scott camp mid-winter jamboree next Wednesday evening, in Wilson Auditorium, Clifton Avenue.

Laura Jane Howard, Emma Lou Harig, Helen Uchtman, Frances Hannon, and Jeanne Martin will swing out in a "football" routine. Peggy Kiernan is one half the team of "Tony and Peg," hillbilly singers.

Mary Joe Schroeder, physical education director at Edgecliff and head of the Fort Scott girls' camp, is assisting in the training of the soloists and choruses.

## It's A Date Night AFTER Christmas

Yuletide Formal Slated For Next Monday Night

Poetry may have enshrined the "Night Before Christmas" in the hall of fame, but Our Lady of Cincinnati College's annual Yuletide formal has made the "Night AFTER Christmas" dear to the hearts of all students.

Besides being an antidote for that "let down" feeling all persons experience after the passage of Christmas day, the colorful dance will also afford an opportunity for the display of those hoop-skirted formals and fur evening wraps Santa is certain to leave around many Christmas trees.

This outstanding social event will be held in the oak-paneled, mirrored ballroom of McAuley Hall next Monday from 9 P. M. until - A. M. Seniors under the direction of President Laura Jane Howard have been placed in charge. Alumnae and their escorts will be among the guests of honor.

Nicknamed "Vanity Row" ballroom because the glistening mirrors magnetize students to take inventories of themselves, the dancing headquarters has been gaily decorated with holly wreaths, poinsettias, fir trees sparkled with blue and silver, and (incidentally?) mistletoe.

### Grand March Scheduled

Chaperones include Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Otto, Mr. and Mrs. James E. O'Connell.

McAuley Hall, formerly the residence of the late Lawrence Maxwell, noted Cincinnati music lover who installed the handsome organ, affords a typical setting for a mid-winter formal. The huge stone residence containing gothic art glass windows in the ballroom and spacious fire places for yule logs seems to have been etched for a Christmas card decoration.

## Mores Club Holds Christmas Party

Members of the Mores Club of the evening division held their annual Christmas Party last Sunday in Emery Hall. Holly berries, mistletoe and red satin bows decked the ballroom.

Blanche Marchal is president of the Mores Club to which all students who attend late afternoon and evening classes belong. Ruth Conlon was general chairman and planned the party. Refreshments appropriate to the season were served in the famous hand-carved Dining Hall.

For the second consecutive year, the Glee Club under the direction of Prof. John J. Fehring gave a Christmas Carol program Dec. 19 over Station WLW. This program consisted of "The Peasant Song," "On Christmas Day," "Two Snow White Doves," "The Cradle Song" from the Six Dutch Carols, and "All Ye Souls Baptized Anew," from the Children's Crusade.

## Prominent Speakers Scheduled For 1939 Student Convocations

Foremost among the distinguished Catholic lecturers scheduled to appear at Our Lady of Cincinnati during the second semester is Aileen O'Brien, newspaper correspondent and prominent speaker, who will present first-hand knowledge of reconstruction activities in Nationalist Spain. She will speak on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 25, at the regular student assembly.

Miss O'Brien, called "The Sweetheart of Spain," has been brought back to the United States by popular demand. She was in Spain during much of the Civil War, traveling unreservedly by

permission of Generalissimo Franco from front to front, and establishing medical centers throughout Nationalist territory. Her lectures are supplemented by exclusive moving pictures of many points of interest in Spain and also of the leading personalities she knows.

Appearing at the college Jan. 11 is Madeline McNamara, gifted young monologist, recently returned from a successful European tour and a series of engagements in the east. Miss McNamara, who will be incidentally Edgecliff's first guest artist of the new year, is a graduate of St.

Elizabeth College, Emerson College, and the School of Modern Drama in New York City.

This distinctive artist has progressed through the ranks of high school dramatic teacher, actress on the legitimate stage, and radio narrator, to the top rank in that rare form of art—the one-woman show.

The Rev. Thomas F. Coleman, associate editor of the Catholic Telegraph-Register, is scheduled to speak Jan. 10. Father Coleman is an experienced and interesting speaker, well known to Cincinnati students.



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## A SEASONAL THOUGHT

**H**ATRED, jealousy, greed, seem erased, if only for a comparative moment when the Peace of Christmas descends on a sick world. The birthday of Him Who is still scoffed at, for Whom many men still have no room in their hearts nevertheless magnetizes the eyes of the world on the isolated manger wherein Mary laid the Salvation of man.

Stock tickers cease clacking their chatter of greed; raucous, selfish voices in merchandise marts are stilled; industry's wheels are halted in their insane whirling; problems that evoke headaches, persecutions that cry for His blood . . . all seem to be blocked in their orbits while believers kneel with St. Joseph, the Blessed Mother, the Shepherds and the Wise Men to pour out their sorrow for sin, to ask a Babe to impart His childlike innocence, to praise the God Who sent His Son.

That contradictory sorrowful joy enveloping the manger because of the vision of the Cross hovers today over each tabernacle wherein the Body and Blood He left invites us to come for eternal nourishment. Sins of individual men and of nations conjure up each moment new crosses, new scourges for Him.

His Peace is what the world needs, yet is too blind to accept. See ye to it that you accept it from His chalice Christmas morning and keep it in your hearts until He summons you to the Heaven whence He came to the manger.

## A HEAVENLY WORK

**N**O more challenging appeal has been presented to Cincinnatians than that of St. Mary Hospital, the West End institution conducted by the Little Sisters of the Poor of St. Francis who truly are doing God's work. Archbishop McNicholas' recent public letter, citing the plight of the institution, emphasized that its monumental work of 80 years soon might be brought to an inglorious close because of a sad lack of funds.

Those able to pay something have forgotten to do so; some doctors have told patients to ask the sisters to cancel bills; many Cincinnatians have left behind them sizeable fortunes, but have included no bequests for St. Mary's. These are but a few of the factors which have contributed to the hospital's sad plight. Persons of all denominations and those of no faith at all acclaim the sterling charity motivating the sisters' work. Race, creed, disbelief, social condition . . . none of

these is considered by the sisters when illness, maiming accidents, diseases bring patients to their doors.

Masonic lodges and a Jewish group have remembered St. Mary's crisis and have responded with donations. Many Catholic churches and organizations have swelled the funds they ordinarily contribute. The hospital appeal comes at an opportune time, during the Season of Giving.

There are few students who will not have a Christmas budget of some kind. However large or small that budget, each student at Our Lady of Cincinnati College must earmark something for St. Mary's. This is a command from conscience. The command is echoed in the Corporal Works of Mercy. It is a ringing command from Him Who stopped on the road to heal the lepers, Who heeded the appeal of the centurion, Who never wearied of ministering to the afflicted.

## ACTING ONE'S AGE

**A** LOCAL newspaper columnist, noted for his absence of logic, counsels that one should not be frightened by the League for Peace and Democracy. "They are troubled young people who get ferocious only when they talk about injustice and the arrogance of the rulers of this world," he explains. "Some of them only think they are Communists."

Now acting one's age is important . . . acting one's physical age at least, we mean. Though some persons are advanced in years which should bring common sense if not wisdom, they try somehow to act their physical age. To act their mental age, we admit, would be difficult since such actions might put them in the category of drooling infants.

If the columnist was speaking about the physical age of league members he must be afflicted with physical blindness in addition to his traditional mental blindness. Certainly, anyone who attended a league meeting recognized among rapt listeners some pretty husky children whose faces have wrinkled and whose hair has turned gray prematurely. If the columnist was speaking of mental ages, he was shooting nearer the mark. And as for some of them only thinking they are Communists . . . the columnist only thinks he is a newspaperman.

## ROME HONORS AMERICA

**R**ECENTLY in St. Peter's in Rome, Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini, foundress of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, was pronounced Blessed. It is quite significant that Mother Cabrini is the first citizen of the United States to be beatified. Never before in modern times has so short a span elapsed between a person's death and beatification.

It was indicated that the canonization will proceed immediately and that it is possible that she may be raised to sainthood within the next two years.

The beatification of this holy woman is quite an honor to bestow on the United States in these troubled times. It seems an extra grace given to us when we are sorely in need of it. Mother Cabrini has been known to be the instrument through which God has bestowed many a great favor. It may be she whom God has chosen for Americans to come closer to the peace of the Sacred heart in these days of persecution and hate.

## RESOLVE FOR 1939

**H**ARD on the heels of Christmas comes the celebration of the New Year with all its consequent gayety. The country over, songs and laughter will usher in another year, and hearts will be light and merry and hopeful of the best. But when all the parties are over and the last bell rings out, perhaps it would be well to give a serious thought to what you intend to contribute toward making 1939 a better span of days.

Perhaps to speak of New Year's resolutions is trite. Surely, to sit down and list ten or twenty such is foolish. Human nature fails when put to so hard a test. But everyone of us can resolve to donate one small deed each day toward the making of a good year.

Unselfishness and sacrifice have been lost in the tide of greed that floods the earth today, but by giving of yourself in your own little world, you can revive some vestige of a dying art. There are a thousand other items on the list from which you may choose. Decide upon one, resolve to do it wholeheartedly, and 1939 cannot but be brighter because of you.

## ELSIE'S COMPACT

BY PHOEBE PHLUNK

Mary Lee's birthday

Had a sentimental touch

I mean the telegram from Lloyd,  
The one "who loves her very much."

For whom is Alice Topmoeller  
saving her Sunday evenings?

Mary Lucille has had a diamond  
for quite some time, we finally learn.  
Why doesn't some one tell us these things?

Mary Jane (Dorothy Dix) Kleeve certainly picks winners for blind dates. For instance, Rosemary and Paul, alias "cuddles."

Mary Adelaide Evers, recently decided that she wouldn't enter the religious life after all. Reason: A call from a very close friend at Notre Dame.

The season's questions:  
What is the main reason for Jeanette's being so awfully anxious to go home.

Why did Ruth Howe want to be on the introduction (steering) committee for the Xavier dance?

How did Jane's first meal for Bernie turn out? Will she ever cook a second one? If so, why?

Be sure to ask Monica how many days there are until Christmas. Also, why she counts them.

Our Yuletide wish for the faculty: that each meditate long and profitably on the beatitude beginning "Blessed are the merciful, etc.," memorize Will Shakespeare's gem on the same virtue from "The Merchant of Venice," then resolve to apply the heavenly quality to semester examination questions.

Because they're too good to keep, not because we want the students who submitted them to be scorned, we give you two answers to the question: "Who is Elizabeth Rethberg." One answered: "The Queen of England," the other "leader of the Jewish feminine movement." Oh, you're so smart, eh? Well, who IS . . . without looking in the book mind.

## OTHERS' VIEWS

BY M. MIDDENDORF

This could happen only at Notre Dame! One day during football practice Coach Layden asked a junior football manager to get his trench coat. The junior dis-

patched a couple of sophomores for it but they, in turn, sent several freshmen. The freshmen returned with coats for all the coaches. As Layden's was being draped over his shoulders, he reached into one of the pockets saying, "I thought those cough drops were in there."

A St. Olaf College lad and his lassie were watching a recent football match. The fellow turned to the girl and said, "See Ose out there? He'll be our best man some day." Whereupon the fair young thing blushed prettily and replied: "Oh darling, this is so sudden."

Had old Noah in foresight Been up to the mark, He'd have killed those two flies As they entered the ark.

The Tower.

Hatred of our enemies, rearmament, incitement to another world war "to save democracy" will lead only "to a peace balance and unity" at a sacrifice of men's freedom.

The Catholic Worker.

A la Will Shakespeare or Gertrude Stien?

There was a young man from Japan

Whose verses nobody could scan. When told it was so, He said, "Yes, I know, - But I like to get every word in that last line that I possibly can."

The Watch Tower.

## CUTTING PAGES

The Incredible Balkans — By Konrad Bercovici

With Hitler eyeing countries of central Europe much as one contemplates the Christmas turkey before carving it, the fate of the Balkan countries is of universal interest. If the stormy histories of these peoples are to be taken into consideration, most anything can happen.

Mr. Bercovici traces the history of the Balkans from the third century. Particularly interesting is his treatment of the rise of Mustapha Kemal Ataturk, late "strong man" of Turkey.

In his introduction, the author says: "Had the European powers not been so busy stirring trouble in the Balkans, these little countries would have been thoroughly amalgamated . . . As it is, they are now more divided than they have ever been; 20 comic opera bouffe kingdoms, with 20 comic opera palaces and royalties inciting wars and revolutions to the plaudits and higher amusement of Europe's elder statesmen who thrive on setting people at one another's throats."

## Tribute Of The Son

Calm, unafraid with spirit yet unmarred,  
He stood before the threatening Soviet guard  
Who snapped their clips of bullets into place,  
And watched for signs of fear upon his face.  
The sputtering torch gleamed yellow in the dark,  
'Twas meant to help the guardsmen find their mark.  
The rifles clicked, a rough command was heard,  
And still the victim uttered not a word.  
'Til ordered fiercely his last wants to tell,  
"My God! Forgive them!" low the accents fell.  
Enraged, the foremost guard his rifle raised  
And at his word five other rifles blazed!  
He fell — his murderers laughed, insane with glee,  
"Thus to all Christians it shall ever be!"  
When Dawn came softly stealing o'er the hill  
She gazed upon a figure crumpled, still,  
And bade the sun come quickly from the east  
To glorify — another martyred priest!

—By Rosemarian Valentiner.



## TAKING STOCK

BY CAROLINE McKEE

The world stands at the crossroads, according to some observers who see in the outcome the end of Christian civilization. Whether they are guilty of wishful thinking remains to be seen. Nevertheless, some things seem quite plain.

Chaotic conditions facing youth are the result of two opposing social philosophies born of the industrial revolution: Capitalism and Communism. To consider Capitalism here is unnecessary. Communists call Christians capitalists so if we are Capitalists the only thing to do is to discover what Communism is, then thrash out against it or be wiped from the face of the earth. This is the "crisis" the critics use so much ink over . . . this is the struggle beneath the wars, peace treaties, strikes and more wars of today.

Socialists in England between 1815 and 1846 launched a whole set of radical and confused ideas for reform to aid the working class. These ideas were set together by Karl Marx in his Manifesto. This theory in action would involve the tearing down of a civilization centuries old. A theory as such is harmless, but his theory grew into reality. It became the Communist Party of Russia.

### How It All Began

In Odessa in 1871 a small group of 15 metal workers formed the first soviet of workers. By 1874 there were ten such circles. In 1875 these circles became the Southern Russian Society of Workers with 200 members, two of which were intellectuals. In December of '75 the Tsar's police sentenced the party leaders to 10 years of hard labor. The Northern Russian Society of Workers met the same fate, but in 1879 the intellectuals formed the Party of the People with the assassination of Alexander II its direct and accomplished purpose in 1881.

On November 17, 1917 the Bolsheviks under Lenin and Trotsky accomplished the downfall of the

## YULE DANCE AIDE



Mary Jane Kleve is one of the student committee arranging the annual Yuletide formal which will be held next Monday night in the McAuley Hall ballroom. Rosemary Ebertz is general chairman of the committee. Story on Page 1.

Russian government and the party they headed has remained in power ever since. They were the formulators of the Third International which is the governing body of the party, although Stalin heads the organization at present. Trotsky was exiled in 1927.

### A Cohesive Party

The Third International provides the outlines for the communist way of life in a capitalistic world; it decides upon the means for the destruction of that world; it is also the standard bearer of the Red army for it is the propaganda force. It holds the purse strings of the whole party . . . in other words it is the unifying force of the organization; whose first duty is to prevent

within the ranks any single section that tends toward dissent so fatal to World Revolution. The residence of the Communist International is at Moscow.

In its statutes its aims are laid down. It strives for "the organization of common action between the workers of the various countries who are striving towards . . . the overthrow of Capitalism, the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat and the International Soviet Republic, the complete abolition of classes, and the realization of socialism as the first step to communist society."

Need we say anything more about the downfall of Christian civilization?

## Sodality Receives New Frosh Members

Freshmen and new students were received into the Immaculate Conception Sodality Dec. 8, and the entire student body later attended a formal breakfast to climax the annual event.

Msgr. Charles E. Baden, chaplain celebrated the Mass and delivered the sermon. After Mass, sodality medals were blessed and distributed to the new sodalists. Mary Angela Creed and Bernice Soete, seniors, assisted Msgr. Baden in the ceremony.

Following Benediction, the girls proceeded to the dining hall for a formal breakfast. The program included a piano solo by Mary Andris, a selection by the College trio, and Gounod's Ave Maria, sung by Jane Walters, accompanied by Margaret Louis and Cecilia Linnemann.

### Philosopher's Meeting Aided By College

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Archbishop McNicholas who has frequently warned that the battle for control of America is being fought now on the field of philosophy, is scheduled to speak at the banquet.

## A Lurking Beauty

A Wordsworth would indeed immortalize  
The growing beauty of your lovely eyes,  
And keep for future ages all he finds  
So beautiful in you, within his lines.

A Mozart could no doubt with ease compose  
A symphony about your classic nose,  
And set in pulsing rhythm all the charm  
Your lips comprise,—so sweet, and soft and warm.

Da Vinci would enhance your skin so fair  
And bring to life the color of your hair.  
He'd make the slender finger of your hand  
A background for a narrow golden band.

Such gifted men would notice all of that.  
I can't see through the veil that's on your hat.

Mary V. Brink '40.

## America Loves Good Music, Speaker Says

Critics who say America is not a musical nation are wrong; on the contrary, appreciation of good music is more widespread and symphonies more patronized here than in Europe, according to G. Marston Haddock, principal of Leeds College of Music, England, who lectured recently at the college.

Acclaimed as O. L. C.'s most novel guest because he "sang" his lecture, Mr. Haddock dealt with England's Song Heritage.

He was accompanied by Wellington Lee, New York, who studied under Emil von Sauer of Vienna. Mr. Lee played Chopin's "Fantasy in F Minor." Mr. Haddock traced the origin of many popular songs and ballads back to their "root" melody which, he explained, in many instances had been used as the basis of popular ballads centuries ago.

During his youth, Mr. Haddock was a member of Westminster Abbey choir. In 1923, his father built him a theater "to play with as he wished." It was during this time that he became interested in ballads. Since 1931 he has been engrossed in tracing ballads to their origin.

## ELEVENTH HOUR RUSHING

BY M. A. HEIMANN

This is not written for those careful planners who boast of having all Christmas gifts bought, wrapped, and hidden in chest and closet, but rather for poor mortals who shorten lives several years by dashing madly through stores December 22-24 in search of the appropriate thing to buy mother, dad, brother, sister, and, of course, him.

This Christmas let your gifts to all the tres belle femmes on your list be gay and dashing romantic. One day of the year forget you ever had a practical side. Any woman worth her salt is just naturally partial to perfume, to luxurious bath accessories, to pretty ornaments for her dressing table, and to other lovely, feminine gifts.

Your great-aunt will be charmed that you think she's young enough for such a frivolous offering; your small sister will be pleased to think that you think she's old enough. Buy Elizabeth Arden's famous Blue Grass or Night and Day (the price is smaller than you think).

### Slippers For Dad

Either dad or brother will sing your praises loud and long Christmas Day and for many a month after if you give them a pair of the new, very comfy lounging slippers fashioned in the softest, most flexible of leather. You can buy them for a song.

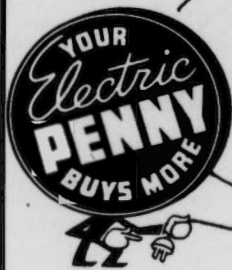
Why not a French angora evening bolero for your very best chum? A drawstring bag would also be a very welcome gift.

If the heart interest in your life is away at school give him a cow-hide travelling bag in the new tan color. Pig skin gloves, hand knit ties, imported English wool socks, a cigarette case of hand tooled leather, a book by a favorite author and a half dozen monogrammed linen kerchiefs with hand rolled hems are all suggestions.

After you have spent yourself, your money also, and are feeling like nothing at all, give just one thought to your gift wrappings.

They're very glamorous and exciting this year and will do a lot for the humblest of gifts. Christmas morn you'll wake up feeling on top of the world despite your last minute pre-Christmas activities. And it's much more fun than having every thing done months in advance. Three cheers for the Christmas rush!

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# HOLIDAY DATES LEAVE SCANT ROOM FOR EXAM STUDIES

By MARTHA LE SAINT

It seems that students at Our Lady of Cincinnati College have many and varied plans for the holidays. Not only will they catch up on all those assignments that they have been putting off for the last month, attend the Yuletide Formal and sleep till noon every day, but some have had the courage to make additional arrangements.

Rita Riesenbergh, Edgecliff editor, is going to Canada with sister Alice, '37, while Helen Eberhart is to be in St. Louis, and not to catch up on any sleep. Margy Kuhlman gets very poetical about the whole thing. Here is how she feels:

Rush around here,  
Rush around there  
And be kind to people  
Who get in my hair:  
I'm going to sit back and be a  
"cool-man."

That's pretty bad, Margy, but it couldn't be left unsaid.

## Plans Of All Sorts

Mary Brink insists that she is going to "do nothing that I should." Betty Shipley, Piqua, is returning to O. L. C. for the Yuletide dance. On the 27th, Rosemary and Margy Ebertz will return to Piqua with her to be her guests.

There is a rumor to the effect that Ruth Meyers is beginning to worry already whether Ted will be kept too busy by another who has a Christmas vacation. Virginia Beck does not know whether it will be a Notre Dame or U. C. student who will get her attention. (Comment by Mary Hughes: "Since the X tea Dance, Ginny seems to be a Yank torn between two Hanks.") However, there is no indecision on the part of Jenny Despres. She jubilantly explained, "Oh boy, I'm going home!" (Grand Rapids, Mich.)

Monnie Drucker didn't say, but we have a sneaking suspicion that one Price Hill Harvard Law Student will be the main attraction. Betty Kloecker informed her classmates that one of the two weeks will be spent in a local theatre viewing "Sweethearts," starring Nelson Eddy.

The Meyer Twins, Ruth and Louise, together with their constant companion, Virginia Kreis, are going to go places and do things, and not things in any way connected with school work.

Mary Hughes heartily assures friends that she will be skillfully dodging doses of cod liver oil, she hopes. Margaret Ann Heimann (Urbana) danced into the office singing, "Christmas is coming,

hooray, hooray!" Then she explained that she expects to spend the holidays with the family and give her brother (?) special attention.

## Student Singers Drill For Yule Programs

O. L. C.'s choral group is rehearsing this week for participation in the Pontifical Mass to be solemnized midnight Christmas Eve in St. Monica Cathedral, Clifton Heights. Under the direction of Prof. John J. Fehring, archdiocesan supervisor of music, the choristers are also appearing this week in carol programs at hospitals, homes for the aged and other institutions throughout the city.

## Reporters Need Logic, Father Talbot Says

Young journalists must learn to think logically before they can hope to write effectively according to the Rev. Francis X. Talbot, S. J., editor of the most widely-read Catholic weekly, *America*.

Father Talbot visited the college recently and addressed students, giving a survey of world situations and describing life in an editor's office. In the interview which followed, Father Talbot invited Edgecliff reporters to contribute articles to *America*.

## Literary Group Meets At College

Our Lady of Cincinnati College was host to the Cincinnati Literary and Musical Society last week. Miss Francis Loftus, instructor in the music department and a club member, was general chairman and arranged an inspiring program of "Madonnas and Music."

The carol choir of the society, composed of 24 mixed voices, opened and closed the program with the singing of Christmas carols.

## C. S. M. C. Chapel Has Medieval Pageantry

### Students Visit Castle Of Historic Interest

Like knights of old, 30 students made a pilgrimage early this month to Crusade Castle, Shattuc avenue, East End, national headquarters of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, the organization founded by Bishop Frank A. Thill of Concordia, Kans., former archdiocesan chancellor.

The Rev. Carl Steinbicker, assistant national secretary-treasurer and O. L. C. faculty member, was host. Romping before the visitors in their tour of the castle were its guardians, two great danes and a bob-tailed colie. An historic point of interest was the library where the Rev. Peter Dietz, "the Father Coughlin of 1890," and Samuel Gompers, late head of the American Federation of Labor, laid plans for a national workers' organization. Though Father Dietz was forced to withdraw, Mr. Gompers persisted and the A. F. of L. resulted.

### Echo Of Middle Ages

Two of the most colorfully decorated rooms are the chapel and quarters formerly occupied by Archbishop Francis J. L. Beckman of Dubuque. The chapel, located in what used to be the wine cellar of the historic private residence, is typical of history book pictures of medieval places of worship in knights' castles.

A heavily beamed ceiling which the smoke of flambeaux seems to have darkened, arches over a tiled floor and carved stalls in ecclesiastical heraldry line the sides of the chapel. Silken banners, of the type which squires carried into battle at the head of companies of plumed and helmeted knights, overhang the stalls to proclaim the establishment of C. S. M. C. units in universities, colleges and high schools throughout the United States.

In the chapel, crusaders from all parts of the country have attended retreats and have received the blessing with the Relic of the True Cross. Bernice Soete of the senior class is O. L. C.'s crusade unit president. Father Steinbicker teaches missiology, a course designed to acquaint students with all aspects of the faith in foreign outposts of the Gospel.

### Piano Team On Radio Program

Rosemary Ebertz and Mary Andris, O. L. C.'s outstanding piano team, were featured in a program over Station WSAI last week. Friends of the college and students who listened in reported the program was one of the most enjoyable they had heard.

Included in their selections were a Saint-Saens scherzo and two etudes by Chopin. Mary Edelaide Evers was featured in a brief dramatic recital emphasizing the importance of music. Miss Ebertz and Miss Andris study under Miss Francis Loftus head of the college's music department and herself a pianist of note.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard J. Bertke (Jane and Berny to you), since returning from their honeymoon, are living at 3116 Harvey avenue, Avondale, and are looking for visitors, they say.

# STUDENTS ASK SANTA FOR WORLD WITH A FENCE

By VIRGINIA BECK

"Well," said Santa Claus, as he sank dejectedly into a chair at his North Pole workshop, "they got me—and after all these years. Just like a bunch of gals to cross you up when things are going good. For hundreds of years I've been bringing good little boys and girls what they wanted on Christmas Eve and trying to satisfy everybody. But I know when I'm whipped. Take a slant at this letter from Our Lady of Cincinnati College and judge for yourself.

Margaret Middendorf wants Notre Dame University annexed to Our Lady of Cincinnati, and Ruth Hucke would like to have San Diego, California, dropped somewhere in or near Cheviot, so that she can have her cake and eat it too. Now, my dear little children, you've got the wrong number. That's a job for the W. P. A., not for a mere Santa Claus. Caroline McKee asks for a lock of Mr. Hitler's hair. You don't know how much I'd like to bring you his whole scalp Caroline, if only I could get to it. Then there's Rosemary Freyer, who wants a box-seat in the Reds' dugout for the coming baseball season.

### Page Dies Committee

This request cannot be granted since the Dies Committee says the whole thing sounds un-American. Dorothy Wetterstroem and Jane Ann Dunn want ghost-writers to do their English themes. Unfortunately a little boy down in St. Louis named Dizzy Dean has a corner on my ghost writers.

Now Mary Ellen Holgate and Ruth Wetterer get even more unreasonable. They demand a real live soldier boy with khaki and brass buttons, and Mary Ellen specifies that hers must be blond and curly-headed besides. Once these same little girls were satisfied with tin soldiers, but they get harder to please every year. Helen Eberhard wants to find a 1950 edition of Clark (?) Gable, complete with Yellow Packard roadster, in her stocking on Christmas morning. Now Packard

might have 1950 models ready, but the Gables don't seem to have advanced to that stage yet. Perhaps a 1939 Clark would do just as well.

### Still More Wants

Marie Heinlen asks for a dude ranch in Wyoming; Peggy Kierman wants to become United States Ambassador to Eire; Betty Bush wants the distance between Chicago and Cincinnati made a lot shorter; Sarah Smith craves a phonograph record that keeps repeating: 'Dues please,' to save the wear and tear on her voice; Betty Hoffman desires a knowledge of aeronautics; Helen Landfried would like a little more peace in American History class; Frances Hannon asks for bigger and better windows to open in sub-zero weather.

Rita Riesenbergh and Betty Wingerter want a pair of Indian guides to help them out of the wilds of Kentucky every morning. Bernice Soete asks for a lot less dates with that awful man, Horace; Mary Louise Saat asks for a lot more dates with that nice man, Art; Mary Jane Kleve says she'll settle for Robert Taylor; Mary Lucille Solomon would like a white house with blue shutters, and Janet Louis, a blue house with white shutters. Mary Hughes concludes all of this by asking for a hunk out of the moon, which is the first sensible thing I've seen on the whole list.

Now I ask—do you or do you think I ought to call the whole thing off?"

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